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Manufacturing Industries

NEW BOOKS

- BROWN, N. C. *Forest products: their manufacture and use.* (New York: Wiley. 1919. Pp. xix, 471. \$3.75.)
- CALVERT, A. F. *Salt and salt industry.* Pitman's common commodities of commerce. (New York: Pitman. 1919. Pp. 151. \$1.)
- RAWLEY, T. C. *The silk industry and trade.* (London: King. 1919. Pp. 188. 10s. 6d.)
- Directory of the chemical industries in Canada as to date January 1, 1919.* (Ottawa: Dominion Bureau of Statistics. 1919. Pp. 68.)
- The Schneider works in France.* (Paris and New York: Schneider & Cie. 1919. Pp. 64.)
- Statement of the effect of war conditions on the farm operating equipment industry, presented to D. F. Houston, by the Farm Implements Committee representing the industry.* (Chicago: National Implement and Vehicle Association, 76 Monroe St. 1918. Pp. 11.)

Transportation and Communication

NEW BOOKS

- ABBOT, W. J. *The story of our merchant marine; its period of glory, its prolonged decadence, and its vigorous revival as the result of the world war.* (New York: Dodd, Mead. 1919. Pp. 373. \$2.50.)
- BARNES, H. C. *Traffic law service on the federal regulation of interstate commerce and common carriers, including jurisdiction of the Interstate Commerce Commission.* (Chicago: Traffic Law Service Corporation. 1919.)
- BENEDICT, B. *The express companies of the United States. A study of a public utility.* (New York: Intercollegiate Socialist Society. 1919.)

Fundamentally and primarily the monograph is a protest against the laissez faire policy—the absolute and uncontrolled freedom of private enterprise—and is a plea for the governmental ownership of the express service, on the grounds of economy and political expediency—economy, because of the savings arising from extension of the express facilities, and from consolidation of equipment, agencies, personnel, and offices, with their accompanying rate reductions; expediency, because to quote the author, “a government express service can help in no small degree, both in itself and as a sharer in the entire general urge towards a democratically-socialized state, to preserve and even to invigorate” not only the national, but also the individual morale.

The Intercollegiate Socialist Society plans a series of monographs on the various phases of public ownership and democratic management.

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